### **Draft Procedures**

Drafts are held to equalize teams on the playing field. While drafts do not always accomplish this we feel that drafting is the best way to attempt the equal out teams by ability and ages.

#### **DRAFTING ORDER**

Draft position will be determined by the previous season's record. The team with the poorest record will draft first, and so on. If there is a tie, it will be decided by a flip of a coin.

- 1. Rosters should have (as close as possible) equaled number of older and younger players, per age bracket. No drafting of all one age on a team.
- 2. A player on last year's team will remain on that team for the coming season unless released by the coach or manager. Trading is to be done only in the best interest of the boy or girl. Coordinators MUST approve any trading of players between coaches.
- 3. A list of all new and old names moving up to another league is to be complied by the coordinator. No names are held back. Any participant is not eligible unless their name appears on the coordinator list.
- 4. The eligibility age for all participants shall be a minimum of 6 years of age and a maximum of 18 years of age. 18 year olds must still be in high school to participate. The age cut-off date to establish the age of the child is OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> of the current year. Roanoke County will honor an alternate cut-off date established by other sanctioning organizations if that date does not expand the age brackets or increase the age eligibility established by Roanoke County Parks, Recreation and Tourism.
- 5. Drafting of players is to be confined to Roanoke County residents or Non-County residents attending a Roanoke County Public School.
- 6. The selection of players for the teams within the clubs boundaries shall be in compliance with the Draft Selection System. Each Recreation Club having more than one (1) team in a league will hold a draft of eligible players. There will be no independent teams allowed in the Youth Leagues (Teams must be organized through one of the Recreation Clubs in Roanoke County).

### **OPTIONS**

- 1. Head coach's son option can be taken in the fifth (5th) round.
- 2. The head coach's son option can be used for an assistant coach's son when:
  - a. The head coach has no son in the draft.
  - b. The assistant coach has completed two (2) years of service with the team.

#### **BROTHER OPTION**

- 1. The brother option will be exercised when a player in the draft has a brother returning to the team.
- 2. This option is to be taken in the third (3rd) round (Mandatory).
- 3. If there are two (2) brothers in the same draft, the brother option will be taken in the next round after one (1) brother has been drafted.

## **BONUS PICKS**

1. Expansion teams will receive bonus picks following the first, second, sixth, ninth and each following rounds until the teams have balanced, at which no further bonus picks will be given.

2. Uneven number of players on each team will be corrected by awarding bonus picks after the fourth round and the seventh round. All other picks will be determined by the number of players available. The rec. club coordinator will award these bonus picks when necessary. draft con't....

## **HARDSHIP AND TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS**

These problems will be considered by the club president and the rec. club coordinator. These problems will only be considered:

- 1. After the draft is held.
- 2. After all possible solutions have failed.
- 3. After the club has been presented a letter from the parents stating that such a problem exists.
- 4. No request from coaches will be considered.

### WALK-ONS/LATE REGISTRATION

There will be no walk-ons. All players wishing to participate in the recreation club programs after the draft has been held will go through the rec. club coordinator with <u>no exceptions</u>. Any players registering after the draft is completed will be assigned to the team that should have gotten the next draft pick

# STATUS OF UNCOMMITTED PLAYERS

Any player stating uncertainty concerning returning to a team will be removed from the team's roster prior to the initial draft. If any player that has been removed from a team's roster should decide at a later date to play, he has to be placed into the open draft, or assigned as the case may be.